



The figures for April, May and June were down around 90%

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- Air traffic in the past month totalled 81,339 flights, 63.1% less
- Domestic flights, which numbered 23,535 in July, recovered the most
- The drop in flights in Europe is similar to that in Spain (-60.7%)
- The Barcelona Control Centre handled more traffic than Madrid
- The number of flights so far this year is approaching half a million

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The number of flights managed by ENAIRE in July recovered significantly from the previous months, which were affected more by the COVID-19 pandemic. Last month, Spain's air navigation manager handled a total of 81,339 flights, a 63.1% drop.

This fall is significantly less than that recorded in the previous three months: in April, flights fell by 94.7%; In May, they did so by 93.8%, and in June the decrease was 89.7%.

The effects of the pandemic have had an impact on the traffic managed by ENAIRE, as detailed in the table below:





Month of	Flights managed	%
2020	by ENAIRE	
March*	92,895	-40.7
April	9,627	-94.7
May	11,992	-93.8
June**	21,142	-89.7
July	81,339	-63.1

*14 March: State of Emergency declared.

Domestic flights, which numbered 23,535 in July, recovered the most (-43.0%). International flights totalled 44,316 (-66.8%), and overflights (which do not depart from or arrive at a Spanish airport) 13,488 (-70.7%).

The drop in flights in Spain is similar to the decrease in the European average, which is 60.7%.

The drop in flight numbers continues to be generalised at every ENAIRE control centre: Canary Islands (-53.8% and 13,842 flights), Palma (-54.3% and 21,370), Seville (-62.1% and 15,748), Barcelona (-63.3% and 40,522) and Madrid (-66.3% and 37,843).

The Barcelona Control Centre was the busiest in Spain in July in terms of flights managed, ahead of the Madrid Control Centre.

Traffic comparison July 2020/2019								
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domestic	%	Overflights	%
ENAIRE network	81,339	-63.1	44,316	-66.8	23,535	-43.0	13,488	-70.7
Madrid CC	37,843	-66.3	16,993	-70.4	9,303	-51.4	11,547	-67.7
Barcelona CC	40,522	-63.3	28,180	-65.4	10,212	-42.9	2,130	-80.7
Seville CC	15,748	-62.1	7,633	-63.2	6,216	-41.0	1,899	-81.5
Canary Islands CC	13,842	-53.8	4,371	-65.4	8,768	-36.4	703	-80.1
Palma CC	21,370	-54.3	14,141	-59.1	7,197	-40.9	32	-48.4

Note. The total number of flights operated by ENAIRE's network does not necessarily match the total number of flights managed by each Control Centre (CC). This is due to the fact that a flight is registered according to the air space and route it crosses. For example: a flight departing from Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas Airport bound for Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat will be registered at the Control Centres in Madrid and Barcelona.

^{**21} June: State of Emergency lifted.





Cumulative data from January to July

ENAIRE managed 496,956 flights in July (-59.9%), of which 263,828 were international (-63.3%), 122,266 were domestic (-51.5%) and 110,862 were overflights (-58.6%).

All ENAIRE control centres reported cumulative drops, with the Canary Islands, Seville and Madrid centres reporting the lowest decreases.

Traffic comparison January-July 2020-2019								
	TOTAL	%	International	%	Domestic	%	Overflights	%
ENAIRE	496,956	-59.9	263,828	-63.3	122,266	-51.5	110,862	-58.6
network								
Madrid CC	287,162	-58.3	146,853	-59.1	54,575	-54.5	85,734	-59.1
Barcelona CC	206,203	-63.4	131,056	-66.9	49,049	-53.8	26,098	-57.6
Seville CC	107,821	-56.1	47,804	-60.0	34,019	-48.8	25,998	-56.4
Canary	100,944	-51.4	45,891	-53.8	43,930	-48.8	11,123	-51.2
Islands CC								
Palma CC	58,897	-68.5	30,873	-75.3	27,850	-54.5	174	-52.6

Recovery plan for air navigation services

ENAIRE is developing a plan to recover air navigation services based on traffic growth forecasts received from the Manager of the European Network, and in full cooperation with said European agency, in order to standardise operational criteria with a view to returning to pre-pandemic flight levels.

This Plan provides for a recovery of air traffic control operations in stages based on the expected demand and scheduling criteria in order to efficiently use the available resources.

Delayed collection of route charges from airlines

Mindful of the historically exceptional nature of the situation we are experiencing, ENAIRE is exercising responsibility and solidarity by deferring the collection of the route fees it charges airlines until November.





About ENAIRE

ENAIRE is the company of the Ministry of Transport, Mobility and Urban Agenda that manages air navigation in Spain. It renders aerodrome control services at 21 airports, including the busiest in terms of air traffic, plus enroute and approach control, from five control centres: Barcelona, Madrid, Gran Canaria, Palma and Seville. In addition, ENAIRE provides communications, navigation and surveillance services to 45 air control towers.

In 2019, ENAIRE handled 2.1 million flights to and from four continents (Europe, America, Asia and Africa), transporting 320 million passengers.

ENAIRE is the fourth most important European air navigation service provider, and, in a clear commitment to the Single Sky initiative, belongs to international partnerships such as SESAR (Single European Sky ATM Research) Joint Undertaking, SESAR Deployment Manager, A6, iTEC, CANSO (Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation) and ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization).